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Prices began the week lower and were unchanged for the remainder of the week. The market tone was barely steady to weak and finished the period on a steady undertone. Retail demand was light to moderate best where promotions were active. Food service movement was light. Supplies were adequate to available. Prices for breaking stock, checks and undergrades were lower. Demand was light with adequate offerings. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Schedules varied. Trade sentiment was barely steady. Light type hen demand was moderate with adequate to fully adequate offerings. Schedules were full-time. Trade sentiment was steady. Removal prices were 0-7 cents, mostly 0-5 cents per head.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices to producers in IA-MN-WI were lower for large and medium and unchanged for small. Other reported prices were unchanged but were trending lower for next week. Trade sentiment was barely steady to at times weak. Cartoned egg demand was light to moderate and noted as slightly improved in areas with feature activity. Loose egg movement was usually light. Supplies were adequate to available. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades 1 cent lower. Demand was light for the adequate to available offerings. Floor stocks balanced to adequate. Schedules varied. Trade sentiment barely steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	50-60	51-57
LARGE	49-59	50-53
MEDIUM	39-49	41-44

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV, western NY, and western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged, however all sizes were trending lower. Trade sentiment was barely steady. Demand into all channels was light to occasionally moderate. Large eggs were on special for 79 cents per dozen. Supplies were adequate to available. Breaking stock offerings were limited and demand was noted as light. Spent hens were more than sufficient for processing requirements.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	59-74	60-63
LARGE	53-67	58-62
MEDIUM	43-56	48-50

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, northern VA, and VT

COMBINED REGIONAL Feb 11, 2005
Average prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A Large or better, White eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	69.50	68.00	57.50
SOUTHEAST	69.50	67.50	58.00
MIDWEST	64.00	61.50	53.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	73.50	72.50	60.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	69.31	67.61	57.51

Computed from simple weekly averages weighted by regional area populations.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN				
	02-15-05	02-08-05	02-17-04	
Large	32-41	42-51	70-77	
Medium	22-28	33-39	54-58	

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- February 14, 2005

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		Northeast	NO CENT	SO CENT	SO Atl	Pacific	5-Area
Jumbo	Curr Wk	11.7	19.7	8.4	11.6	12.6	64.0
	Change	1.7	2.1	-0.7	-0.4	1.6	7%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	29.9	61.0	10.8	32.6	34.3	168.6
	Change	4.5	19.4	-2.1	5.1	-7.5	13%
Large	Curr Wk	67.7	157.8	60.3	107.9	129.4	523.1
	Change	20.3	39.5	1.2	5.7	-3.4	14%
Medium	Curr Wk	12.0	74.9	22.4	26.8	34.7	170.8
	Change	0.2	19.3	4.6	-3.2	-6.2	9%
Small	Curr Wk	4.1	6.3	3.0	5.5	4.5	23.4
	Change	0.7	-0.9	0.6	0.5	-4.5	-13%
Misc	Curr Wk	7.3	22.6	9.3	12.6	5.4	57.2
	Change	1.0	-12.7	0.0	-0.6	-0.7	-19%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	28.4	58.0	30.1	32.1	26.9	175.5
	Change	1.8	11.9	-2.0	1.3	2.3	10%
Total	Curr Wk	161.1	400.3	144.3	229.1	247.8	1182.6
Percent	Change	23%	24%	1%	4%	-7%	9%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	1182.6	9%	173
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	227.3	2%	35
Total Shell Egg	1409.9	8%	208

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 173 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 12-FEB-05(LBS IN THOUSANDS)
(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,196,713	28,020	11,842	6,423	2,563	4,149
PW	1,204,414	28,985	11,296	6,130	2,686	4,174
LY	1,191,901	27,870	11,484	6,643	2,762	4,063
% CHG PWK	-1	-3	5	5	-5	-1
% CHG LY	0	1	3	-3	-7	2
2005	7,373,390	174,663	72,752	39,015	18,317	26,023
2004	6,875,936	160,088	67,574	37,618	16,349	24,548
% CHG YTD	7	9	8	4	12	6

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	42.14	42.00	42.00
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.68	38.53	38.59

BROILER HATCHERY

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in 19 Selected States		Broiler Chicks Placed in 19 Selected States	
	FEB 5	FEB 12	FEB 5	FEB 12
	Thousand			
AL	30,003	29,976	21,171	21,630
AR	*31,088	31,083	25,702	24,929
DE	3,916	3,929	5,402	5,233
FL	1,332	1,343	1,500	1,500
GA	33,908	33,521	27,067	26,377
KY	7,175	7,237	*6,246	6,273
LA	3,984	4,044	3,915	3,830
MD	8,882	8,900	5,319	4,826
MS	19,693	19,558	17,559	18,184
NC	18,278	18,623	14,540	14,668
OK	6,453	6,467	*5,165	5,258
PA	*4,060	4,039	*2,963	2,826
SC	5,142	5,316	4,152	4,722
TX	15,107	15,131	*11,659	12,813
VA	6,496	5,980	4,826	5,385
CA, MO, TN, & WV	*17,995	18,256	*15,775	17,390
19 State Total	*213,512	213,403	*172,961	175,844
Previous Year Total	206,642	208,421	168,937	167,265
Pct. of Prev. Year	103	102	102	105

* Revised

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 26-Mar-05 is estimated at 160.6 million head. This compares to 158.7 million head the previous week and to 158.0 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 154.6 million head and the composite weighted average price was 76.52 cents per pound.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES
(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 02/10/05-02/16/05

CURRENT LDS 74.50 FUTURE LDS 53.25 TOTAL LDS 127.75

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	34.00	38.50	35.20	36.56	—	38.00	16.00
GNR W 2	—	35.50	—	—	—	—	2.00
GNR BR 1	—	61.00	—	62.00	—	—	4.00
GL W J	—	—	58.50	59.50	47.00	56.00	5.00
GL W XL	—	50.56	46.75	49.27	42.88	—	43.00
GL W LG	—	47.00	43.63	46.86	40.47	41.50	20.75
GL W MD	42.00	35.00	35.50	36.33	30.22	35.83	18.00
GL W SM	24.67	27.56	24.25	26.57	23.00	25.00	6.75
NRBS - 48	—	29.00	27.00	28.00	27.50	32.20	27.00
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	34.00	2.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	32.00	1.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 12-FEB-2005

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS		PW	PCT CHG PW LY	
Atlanta	21.9	26.8	-18	-23	
Boston	3.5	3.3	6	0	
Chicago	60.0	65.7	-9	5	
Detroit	28.7	21.6	33	13	
Kansas City	2.3	6.2	-63	-30	
Los Angeles	86.6	88.5	-2	-9	
New Orleans	8.0	7.5	7	4	
New York	31.4	30.4	3	18	
St. Louis	14.8	15.8	-6	-11	
San Francisco	18.6	18.6	0	-11	
Total	275.8	284.4	-3	-3	
4 Week Moving Avg.	302.1				

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED W/E 12-FEB-05

	YOUNG		YOUNG OLD		TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
Head	1,539	2,489	9	1	4,038
Avg Wt	15.98	38.89	28.62	52.17	30.14
Last week	1,483	2,574	38	1	4,096
Same wk yr ago	1,708	2,385	34	1	4,128
Avg Wt	15.61	36.88	24.18	61.35	27.98
To-date/2005	9,333	15,143	172	25	24,673
To-date/2004	10,073	14,503	215	42	24,833

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

Week ending 12-FEB-05

(Preliminary) (Released 1:00 Eastern Time)

—YOUNG TURKEYS—			OLD BANDIED			TOTAL TURKEYS
THOUSAND	PCT CHG	AVG	THOUSAND	HEAD-	AVG	
HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	-THOUSAND	HEAD-	LIVE WT	
North East	749	-1	22.66	(A)	750	22.66
South Atlantic	625	1	34.27	(A)	625	34.27
North Central	1,900	-1	34.49	(A)	1,900	34.49
South Central	460	-2	22.23	(A)	460	22.23
West	303	-7	24.75	(A)	303	24.75
U.S. total	4,037(B)	-1	30.14	1	4,038	30.14
To-date						
2005	24,648(B)			25	24,673	
To-date						
2004	24,791(B)			42	24,833	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 9,000; for the current year to date 172,000; for last year to date 215,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION (Preliminary)

W/E 12-Feb-2005	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
Head	154,449	1,305	1,246	2,551	455
Avg Wt	5.29	3.33	8.08	5.65	6.84
Last week	156,566	1,321	1,336	2,657	479
Same wk yr ago	152,505	1,230	1,319	2,549	450
Avg Wt	5.16	3.33	8.02	5.75	6.80
To-date/2005	937,895	8,480	7,513	15,993	3,039
To-date/2004	921,007	7,834	7,665	15,499	2,690

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 162.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 156.3 million head, or 5.8 million less than estimated available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 19-Feb-05

CLASS	Current Week 02/19/05(1)	Previous Week 02/12/05
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
Broiler/fryer	162,454(2)	159,891
Light hens	1,389	1,446
Heavy hens	1,322	1,254
Total	165,165	162,591

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 19-Feb-05 is 162.8 million head compared to 154.1 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 162.8 million head or 0.0 million less than estimated available. For the week of 26-Feb-05 the estimated available is 163.4 million head.

ESTIMATED U.S. FRYER SLAUGHTER/**FRYER AVAILABILITY COMPARISON**

WEEK ENDING		MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
January	8	162.2	154.9	105%	5.35
	15	161.4	158.8	102%	5.25
	22	151.2	161.5	94%	5.33
	29	159.7	162.4	98%	5.28
February	5	158.5	162.5	98%	5.35
	12	156.3	162.1	96%	5.29
Year to date		949.3	962.2	99%	
February	19		162.8		
	26		163.4		

FINAL BROILER/FRYER Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 14-FEB-2005 (cents per lb)

	U.S. GRADE A		LDS	COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG		WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	63.00-66.00	66.70	38	68.08	73
Los Angeles	80.00	79.18	60	75.16	133
New York	67.00-70.00	69.79	24	70.25	48

COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

Change from			
14-FEB-2005	07-FEB-2005	07-FEB-2005	16-FEB-2004
71.37	.00	71.37	74.51

NUMBER OF LOADS 544

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	65	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	64-65	65	65.00	10
WESTERN REGION 5/	66	-	-	-

16-24 LB TOMS

EASTERN REGION	62-63	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	62	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	62-64	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - Selected Centers

(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	Frozen Eggs/LBS	Turkeys/LBS	Processed other Poultry/LBS
AM 02/14/05	3,518	82,994	43,631
AM 02/01/05	3,613	78,113	44,671
CHG	-95	4881	-1040
PCT CHG	-3%	6%	-2%

HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE Final Price, Generally for slaughter the week of 14-FEB-05

REGIONS	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG
Southeast (1)	8.25-15.5 CENTS/LB.	11-13	12.14
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central(1)	8-15 CENTS/LB.	11-12.5	11.63

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

LIGHT TYPE Cents per Head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

Feb 11, 2005	REMOVAL COST
REGIONS	RANGE MAJORITY
Eastern	4-11 8-10
South Central	Too Few To Report
North Central	0-7 0-5

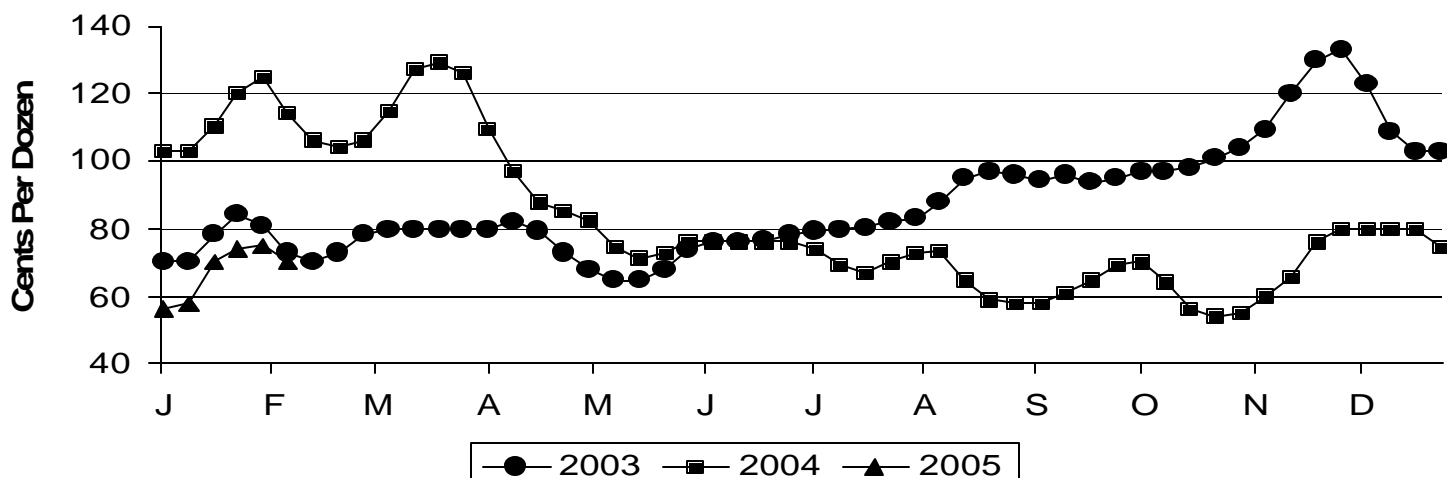
COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT

(Receipts From Producers)

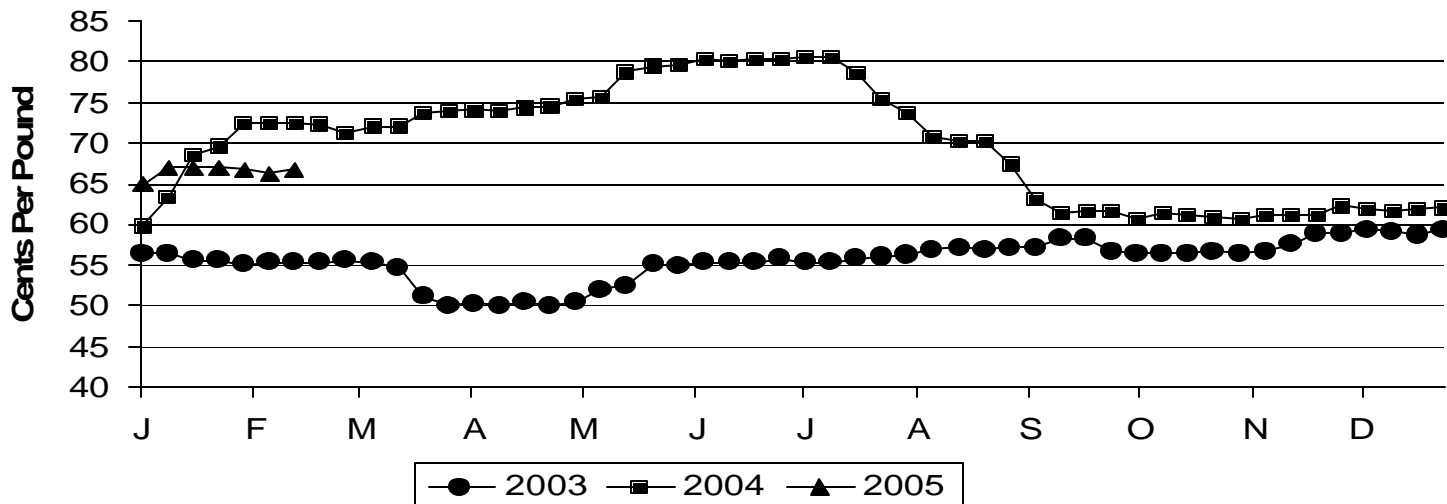
W/E 12-Feb-2005	CASES (IN THOUS)	PW	LY
REGIONS			
North Atlantic	241	2	3
East North Central	585.3	4	1
West North Central	277.6	2	-3
South Atlantic	213.5	-1	5
South Central	61.5	-2	-12
West	183.9	3	1
Total	1562.8	2	0
Matched Plants reporting		Previous week	86
		Last year	85

Areas Covered: North Atlantic (ME,VT,MA,RI,CT,NH,NY,PA,NJ,MC,DE)
East North Central (WI,IL,MI,OH,IN) West North Central (IA,MN,MO,KS,SD)
South Atlantic (SC,NC,VA,GA,FL,KY) South Central (TN,AL,AR,MS,OK)
West (CA,CO,WA,OR,UT)

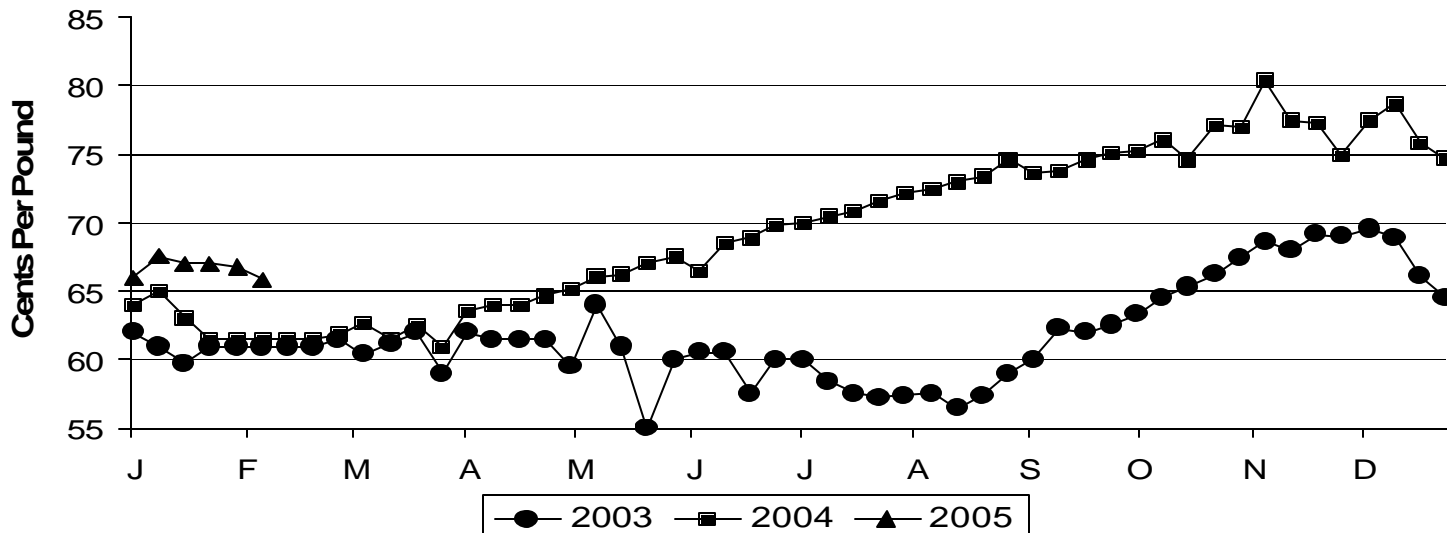
New York Large Weekly Average Price



Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices



Eastern Weekly Average Prices For 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys



Note: Some Weeks' Average Prices are Based on Offers Only

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